



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: EMRICH, Thomas *et al.*  
Serial No: 09/284,787  
Filed: August 16, 1999  
For: MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES AGAINST THE  
EPITOPE YPYDVDPYA, A PROCESS FOR THEIR  
PRODUCTION AND THEIR USE  
Art Unit: 1645  
Examiner: Robert A. Zeman

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 8, 2004

Dear Sir:

This reply is in response to the Office Communication mailed December 12, 2003 which has a shortened statutory period for response of one month that expired on January 12, 2004. A petition for an extension of time until April 12, 2004 is enclosed herewith.